

## IREBY AND ULDALE PARISH COUNCIL

At the Meeting of Ireby and Uldale Parish Council held at the WI Hall, Ireby on Tuesday 1<sup>st</sup> November, 2022 commencing at 7.30 p.m.

Present:

E. Alexander  
K. Bridges (Chair)  
J.W. Hall  
G. Moore  
F. Payne

Also Present:

One parish member  
J. Perry, Cumberland Councillor  
J. Rae (Clerk)

### 50 APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE

An apology for absence was received from R. Cockburn. The reason for absence was noted and accepted.

### 51 MINUTES – 6 SEPTEMBER 2022

The minutes of the meeting held on 6<sup>th</sup> September, 2022 were agreed as a correct record and were signed by the Chair.

### 52 DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST

Register of Interests: Councillors were reminded of the need to update their register of interests

- (i) To declare any personal interests in items on the agenda and their nature
- (ii) To declare any pecuniary interests in items on the agenda and their nature

Cllr Alexander declared a personal interest in matters relating to the WI Hall.  
No requests for dispensations were received.

### 53 POLICE REPORT

The newsletter for the Wigton/Aspatria/Silloth area had been circulated prior to the meeting.

### 54 PUBLIC PARTICIPATION

A representative from Boltons, Ireby and Uldale First Responders had asked to attend a future meeting of the parish council to give an update on the First Responders. It was agreed to invite the representative to attend the next parish council meeting on 3<sup>rd</sup> January. No other matters were raised.

### 55 MATTERS ARISING FROM THE MEETING ON 6 SEPTEMBER 2022

Crosby House Barn – The dilapidated state of the barn had been raised again with the Borough Council. It was noted that some remedial work had recently been carried out. It was agreed to continue to monitor this. The Borough Council are also looking at the condition of another property in Ireby which had been raised with them in 2021.

HMRC – The Clerk reported that HMRC had confirmed that the penalties issued in the quarter ended 5 July 2022 had been cancelled. Despite being registered to pay PAYE quarterly an EPS has to be submitted for every month that a payment is not made to HMRC.

### 56 FINANCIAL MATTERS

- (a) The financial position at 31<sup>st</sup> October, 2022 had been circulated with the agenda.

Bank Balances 31<sup>st</sup> October 2022

Current Account	£13,297.82
Business Saver Account	£ 6,300.10

Income Received:

Allerdale BC – Half Yearly Precept	£3,000.00
Rent of Parish Land	£ 28.00

(b) Payment of Accounts

RESOLVED that the following accounts be authorised for payment:

Ireby W.I. Hall – Room Hire	£45.00
Donation granted to the Great North Air Ambulance Service	£350.00

(c) Budget/Precept 2023/24

A draft budget for financial year 2023/24 had been circulated with the agenda. The usual income and expenditure items were noted. Members considered whether to include an amount in the budget to cover the potential cost of a contested election in May 2023. RESOLVED that the precept would remain at £6000. If an election is called the costs would be temporarily met from the funds set aside for footway lighting.

**57 PLANNING**

(a) Applications received:

Allerdale Borough Council

LBC/2022/0048 – Earsden Cottage, Ireby, CA7 1EA  
Listed building consent for the replacement of internal staircase and front door

Lake District National Park Authority

HN/22/03 – Field adjacent to St James Church Uldale CA7 1DS  
2 x 4ft sections of hedge removal

(b) Decisions:

Allerdale Borough Council

LBC/2022/0036 - Standing Stone Cottage, Ireby, CA7 1EA  
Listed Building consent to replace metal garage door with wood and replace window GRANTED

HOU/2022/0163 - West View, Ireby, CA7 1EA  
Barn conversion into additional living space GRANTED

Lake District National Park Authority

7/2022/2196 – Uldale Mill Barn, Ireby, CA7 1DS  
Construct a horse exercise arena in part of an existing paddock / grazing field GRANTED

7/2022/2207 - Baggra Yeat, Uldale, CA7 1HN  
Roofing over existing concrete midden GRANTED

**58 HIGHWAYS/HIGHWAY MAINTENANCE**

(a) Highway issues in the Parish

The pot hole on the Ireby to Boltongate road had been repaired.

The street lights at High Ireby have been fixed.

Highways had advised that they will not be taking any action at this point regarding the overgrown verges on the Ireby to Uldale road as no safety issues had been identified at this location

Highways had requested further information regarding the road surface breaking up by tree roots at High Ireby.

Highways had advised they have arranged for a vactor wagon and CCTV to investigate the drainage issues near Grange Farm, High Ireby.

Cllr Alexander reported that the drains had been cleaned out at Sun Croft Ireby. Cllr Moore suggested that Highways should be requested to clean all drains in the parish. The Chairman reported that the recent patching work carried out in three areas on the Ireby to Uldale road had washed out.

It was reported that resulting from heavy rainfall a quantity of stone had washed out onto Snittlegarth lonning.

The Clerk reported that the overgrown state of Greengate lonning had been reported to the Countryside Access Team at Cumbria County Council.

An emergency road closure had been put in place for the C2021 Aughtertree road due to the likelihood of danger as a result of damage to high voltage mains electricity. The notice took effect on 19<sup>th</sup> October and the restriction will be required for 20 days.

(b) Lengthsman

Cllr Alexander reported that the Northern Fells Village Agent for Castle Sowerby and Mungrisdale had suggested that the parish council should consider employing a lengthsman to carry out minor jobs in the Parish. Members discussed the practicalities of employing a lengthsman. It was agreed to obtain some further information. The Chairman agreed to speak to Mungrisdale PC with regard to the costs involved. Cllr Perry agreed to make similar enquiries at her other parishes.

**59 TREE MAINTENANCE/SAFETY INSPECTIONS**

Cllr Moore reported on two issues in the parish. The cherry tree on the green at the top of the whent has ivy growing up the trunk and has a mass growing in the crown. It had been raised and discussed at the last meeting that the tree needs to be trimmed back in January/February time. In the meantime, Cllr Moore agreed to cut back the ivy to prevent any damage to the tree. A parishioner had reported an issue with the trees on the parish land opposite Whinney Tip. One tree had fallen into the road and had been made safe. It was thought this had been caused by the weight of the ivy growing on it. Other trees on the land also have ivy growing on them and are leaning into the road. RESOLVED that CWB Forestry would be asked to inspect the trees and provide a quotation for the work required.

**60 DONATION REQUEST – GROUNDS MAINTENANCE EQUIPMENT**

The request raised at the last meeting that members consider granting funding towards the purchase of a strimmer for use in the parish was discussed. It was agreed that before the parish council can consider granting any funding a formal group needs to be set up similar to the former Footpath Group.

**61 DONATION REQUEST – GREAT NORTH AIR AMBULANCE SERVICE**

The request for financial assistance received from the Great North Air Ambulance Service was considered. It was proposed, seconded therefore RESOLVED that the donation granted be increased to £350.00.

**62 CORRESPONDENCE**

Correspondence received since the last meeting had been circulated by email:

CALC - Cost of Living Crisis: Warm Spaces – Cllr Alexander advised that the WI Hall had been designated as a Warm Space.

CALC - LGA's cost of living support hub and bulletin

CALC – Various Training/Carbon Literacy Training

CALC - Cumbria Local Authority Climate Update

Cumbria Police - August & September 2022 - Maryport, Aspatria, Silloth & Wigton

LDNPA Member - September report

LDNPA Member report October

CALC - Local Government Reorganisation Newsletters/Update email from Andrew Seekings – Cllr Perry provided an update on local government reorganisation.

Cumbria CC - Connecting Cumbria Newsletter September 2022

United Utilities - Crummock, Chapel House & Overwater Reservoir De-commission Project – Cllr Moore reported he had attended the drop in event held in Cockermouth on 13<sup>th</sup> October. Further sessions will be held in 2023. Depending on planning approval the work is likely to begin in 2025/26. More information and updates are available on the UU website [unitedutilities.com/Crummock](http://unitedutilities.com/Crummock)

CALC - CALC Newsletter

CALC - Migrant Help Training session re asylum process

CALC Annual General Meeting Change of Date 29th October 2022

CALC - North Cumbria Integrated Care NHS Foundation Trust bank holiday arrangements

CALC - Multi Agency Response to Flooding

CALC - National Moment of Reflection

Letter of thanks for donation from Wigton Baths Trust

Letter of thanks for donation from Uldale DCC

Letter of thanks for donation from Ireby PCC

**63 DATE OF NEXT MEETING**

The next meeting will be held on Tuesday 3<sup>rd</sup> January, 2023 – W.I. Hall, Ireby.

The meeting closed at 8.45 pm

Chairman ..... Date .....